



March 6, 2002

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Mr. William Caton
Acting Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Ex Parte -- CC Docket No. 01-347: Application by Verizon for
Authorization to Provide In-Region InterLATA Services in New Jersey

Dear Mr. Caton:

On March 5, 2002, on behalf of WorldCom, Inc., I spoke by telephone to Deena Shetler, Common Carrier Bureau, to discuss why Verizon's switching rates in New Jersey are not TELRIC.

Pursuant to the Commission's rules, I am filing an electronic copy of this letter and request that it be placed in the record of this proceeding.

Sincerely,

Robert Lopardo
Director
Federal Advocacy

cc Deena Shetler, Susan Pie, Anthony Centrella (NJPUC), John Lynch (DOJ),
Ann Berkowitz (VZ), Qualex Internatinal